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1. ON 17 FEB INTRODUCED TO DR. LAJOS SCHMIDT (SUBJECT REF), CHICAGO LAWYER WITH LAW FIRM OF BAKER MC KENZIE WHO REPRESENT POLISH CONSULATE GENERAL/CHICAGO, FOR INITIAL ASSESSMENT RE HIS CONTACTS WITH MEMBERS OF THE POLISH COMMERCIAL OFFICE (PCGC), MEETING WENT WELL WITH DATE FOR FUTURE MEETING LEFT OPEN. REQUEST POA FOR USE OF SCHMIDT AS ACCESS AGENT TO PCGC, DURING MEETING SCHMIDT PROVIDED INFO ON VARIOUS MEMBERS OF PCGC WHICH IS IN FORMAT FOR PASSAGE TO FBI/CHICAGO.

AGREED TO OUR CONCURRENT USE.

2. (BEGIN MEMO) ON 17 FEBRUARY 1976, AN OFFICER OF THIS BASE MET AND INTERVIEWED SOURCE (SUBJECT OF C-75-93, DATED 17 NOV 75), WHO HAS HAD SEVERAL CONTACTS WITH MEMBERS OF THE POLISH CONSULATE GENERAL COMMUNITY IN CHICAGO (PCGC). SOURCE PROVIDED

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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON HIS CONTACTS.

3. SOURCE HOSTED IRENEUSZ KUBICZEK, COMMERCIAL CONSUL, COMMERCIAL OFFICE AT CHICAGO, TO A 16 FEB VISIT AT THE SADDLE AND CYCLE CLUB, CHICAGO. DURING THE DAY KUBICZEK REPORTED THAT A NEW ORGANIZATION, MEXPO, HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH PEOPLE FROM METAEXPORT AND IS LOCATED IN THE DES PLAINES BUILDING COMPLEX ALONG WITH UNITRONEX, ANOTHER POLISH ORGANIZATION. A NEW MAN IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE FROM POLAND TO HEAD MEXPO, NOW TEMPORARILY BEING RUN BY ZIGNIEN HALICKI, METAEXPORT DEPUTY DIRECTOR, POLISH COMMERCIAL OFFICE, CHICAGO. WHEN THE NEW HEAD ARRIVES HALICKI WILL BE SECOND IN CHARGE AND THIRD IN LINE WILL BE MARIAN LUGOWSKI, METAEXPORT REPRESENTATIVE IN CIT POLD USA THE COMMERCIAL OFFICE, CHICAGO.

4. KUBICZEK REPORTS COMMERCIAL MATTERS TO STRZUJ (FNU), HEAD OF POLISH COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS IN THE US (ALTHOUGH SOURCE SPELLED OUT NAME, IT PROBABLY IS IDENTICAL TO STANISLAW, COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR, POLISH COMMERCIAL COUNSELORS OFFICE, NEW YORK). KUBICZEK AND STRZUJ SERVED IN LONDON TOGETHER SEVERAL YEARS AGO. KUBICZEK WAS BORN IN THE SAME UPPER SILESIAN VILLAGE AS (POLISH PRIME MINISTER) GIEREK, AND THEIR FAMILIES

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KNEW EACH OTHER WELL. KUBICZEK COMMENTED TO THE SOURCE THAT IT WAS THROUGH THIS CONNECTION THAT HE GOT HIS PRESENT CHICAGO ASSIGNMENT.

5. KUBICZEK'S WIFE, ZOFIA, IS A DOCTOR BUT SINCE SHE DOES NOT HAVE A LICENSE TO WORK IN THE U.S. SHE CANNOT WORK, AND SHE HAS BECOME SOMEWHAT FRUSTRATED BY THIS. KUBICZEK IS OUTGOING, A TOTAL WESTERNER, AND A NAVAL ENGINEER. HE SERVED IN LONDON FOR FOUR YEARS REPORTEDLY IN THE SALE OF SHIPS. HE RETURNED TO POLAND TO HANDLE ALL POLISH SHIP SALES TO THE WESTERN WORLD. KUBICZEK IS HAPPY WITH HIS CHICAGO ASSIGNMENT AND DOES NOT CONSIDER IT A STEP DOWN. HE SAW IT AS HIS LAST OPPORTUNITY TO GET HIS FAMILY TO THE WEST WHERE HIS TWO BOYS, JAROSLAW, 13 AND MACIEJ, 16, COULD PERFECT THEIR ENGLISH. MACIEJ ATTENDS CHICAGO'S SENN HIGH SCHOOL.

6. SOURCE HAS MET ZENON KROL, USCONSUL, POLISH COMMERCIAL OFFICE, BUT DOES NOT KNOW HIM WELL. KROL IS SURPRISINGLY ALOOF BUT THOROUGHLY WESTERNIZED. SOURCE DESCRIBED KROL AS GETTING FAT AND HAPPY IN CHICAGO. ALTHOUGH KROL HAS THE UPPER HAND AT UNITRONEX HE DOES NOT HAVE MUCH AUTHORITY AROUND OFFICIAL POLES. KROL IS EASY GOING AND GREGARIOUS. HE

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CRITICIZED THE POLISH NATIONAL BALLET AS BEING MADE UP OF OLDER MEN WHO HAVE BEEN KEPT ON BY THE AGING DIRECTRESS.

7. SOURCE HAS KNOWN DOMINIC SKOCZYNSKI, VICE-CONSUL, COMMERCIAL OFFICE, FOR FOUR YEARS AND DESCRIBED HIM AS A MID-LEVEL EXECUTIVE TYPE, KNOWLEDGEABLE BUT HARD-HEADED. SOURCE BELIEVES SKOCZYNSKI HEADS THE COMMERCIAL MISSION BECAUSE HE HAS BEEN THE LONGEST IN CHICAGO AND HE PROBABLY HAS SOME CONNECTIONS WITH POLIMEX. SKOCZYNSKI'S WIFE, MARIA, A SECRETARY AT PCGC, LEFT CHICAGO ON 15 FEB REPORTEDLY BECAUSE HER GRANDFATHER IS DYING. SKOCZYNSKI IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE CHICAGO SOON. HE CAME TO CHICAGO FROM NEW DELHI WHERE HE SERVED WITH TADEUSZ KAMINSKI, FORMER CONSUL IN CHICAGO. KAMINSKI NOW HEADS POLIMEX IN POLAND AND JUST LANDED A \$500 MILLION DEAL IN PAPER WITH CANADA. (END MEMO)

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